

# Press Release

## HARFORD COUNTY GOVERNMENT

### Department of Public Works



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Important to Harford  
County Citizens"

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### **Agencies Partner to Host Rain Garden Workshop**

*Informative Event at Abingdon Library on September 21*

(Bel Air, MD) - - The Harford County Department of Public Works will partner with several agencies to host a Rain Garden Workshop. The event will be held at Abingdon Library on Saturday, September 21 from 10:30am to 12:30pm.

The Department of Public Works teamed up with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Anita C. Leight Estuary Center, the University of Maryland Master Gardener's and the Harford County Public Library.

The focus of the workshop will be on how homeowners can create a rain garden in their backyard while understanding the function of storm water and the mechanics of a rain garden.

Topics include: native plants, wildlife habitat, bayscaping and how each benefits our local streams. Participants can also enjoy a tour of the rain garden constructed at the library in the fall of 2010.

Registration is preferred for this event. Visit [www.hcplonline.info](http://www.hcplonline.info) or call 410-638-3990 for more information.

The workshop will also feature a status report on the Wheel Creek Restoration project, which includes water quality monitoring, stream restoration and upgrades to existing storm water management facilities. Contact Michele Dobson at 410-638-3545 ext. 1247 or [mgdobson@harfordcountymd.gov](mailto:mgdobson@harfordcountymd.gov) for more information on the Wheel Creek Restoration project.

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